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Response to Office Action

Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed October 19, 2005, in which pending claims 1-83 are restricted under 35 U.S.C. § 121, and in which applicant is required to elect one of the following six groups of claims for examination:

- Group 1: Claims 1-29;
- Group 2: Claims 30-52;
- Group 3: Claims 53-60;
- Group 4: Claims 61-69;
- Group 5: Claims 71-81; and
- Group 6: Claims 82 and 83.

Applicant hereby elects the claims of Group 1 without traverse, and hereby cancels the claims of Groups 2-6 and claim 70 without prejudice and to pursue in a related application.

In the Office Action, the claims of Group 1 have been deemed directed to eight patentably distinct species corresponding to Figures 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 3D and 3E, and applicant has further been required under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to elect a single species to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable.

In response to the election requirement, applicant hereby elects claims 1 and 2 which read on an embodiment disclosed in reference to Figure 2A, and hereby withdraws unelected claims 3-29 from consideration until such time as a generic claim is allowed.

Applicant notes that the elected claims are not limited to embodiments disclosed in reference to Figure 2A and may read on other embodiments of the invention. Conversely, some or all of the unelected claims may

read on one or more embodiments disclosed in reference to Figure 2A, as well as other embodiments of the invention.

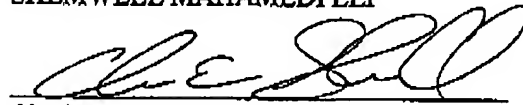
Applicant acknowledges that, upon allowance of a generic claim, applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species that are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of the allowed generic claim.

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Respectfully submitted,

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